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In re Patent Application of

ITOH, T. Atty. Ref.: 160-389; Confirmation No. 8529

Appl. No. 10/651,047 TC/A.U. 3652

Filed: August 29, 2003 Examiner: Chin

For: SPECIMEN CONTAINER CHUCK APPARATUS

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January 5, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Official Action dated July 6, 2004 (for which petition is hereby made for a three month extension of time), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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AMENDMENTS TO THE TITLE:

Please amend the title as follows:

~~SPECIMEN CONTAINER-CHUCK~~ **FOR HOLDING AND RELEASING A**
TUBULAR SPECIMEN CONTAINER

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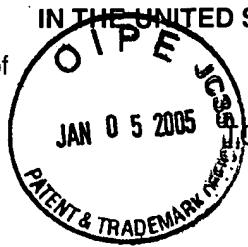
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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.

Fees are attached as calculated below:

Total effective claims after amendment	6	minus highest number	
previously paid for	20	(at least 20) =	0 x \$50.00
			\$0.00 (1202) / \$0.00 (2202) \$

Independent claims after amendment	1	minus highest number	
previously paid for	3	(at least 3) =	0 x \$200.00
			\$0.00 (1201) / \$0.00 (2201) \$

If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add
\$360.00 (1051) / \$180.00 (2051) \$

Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this
paper and attachment(s)

One Month Extension \$120.00 (1251) / \$60.00 (2251)

Two Month Extensions \$450.00 (1252) / \$225.00 (2252)

Three Month Extensions \$1020.00 (1253) / \$510.00 (2253)

Four Month Extensions \$1590.00 (1254) / \$795.00 (2254) \$ 510.00

Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add		\$130.00 (1814) / \$65.00 (2814) \$
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Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith

Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee		\$180.00 (1806) \$
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Assignment Recording Fee		\$40.00 (8021) \$
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TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$ 510.00

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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